

## Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

## Press Release – March 17, 2004 NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS LICENSES PHYSICIANS

At its quarterly meeting on March 12 and 13, 2004, the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners considered the applications of 19 applicants for licensure – 17 physicians, 1 physician assistant and 1 practitioner of respiratory care. All applicants appeared personally before the Board.

Of the 17 physician applicants, 10 applied for licensure by endorsement. As a result of changes to the Board's regulations for licensure, 8 of the 10 applicants for licensure by endorsement were granted regular medical licenses. The Board declined to exercise its statutory discretion to grant medical licensure to one of the applicants and one application was tabled for further review.

Of the remaining 9 applicants, the 7 physicians were granted licenses, as were the physician assistant and the practitioner of respiratory care. Of the 19 total applicants, 17 were granted licensure.

Since January 1, 2004, the Board has granted 176 physician licenses administratively, that is, to applicants who met all of the statutory and regulatory requirements for licensure. This does not include the 17 applicants who appeared before the Board at the March meeting.

In 2002, the Board sent out 745 applications to requesters. In 2003, the Board sent out 1,400 applications to requesters. To date in 2004, the Board has sent out 373 applications to requesters.